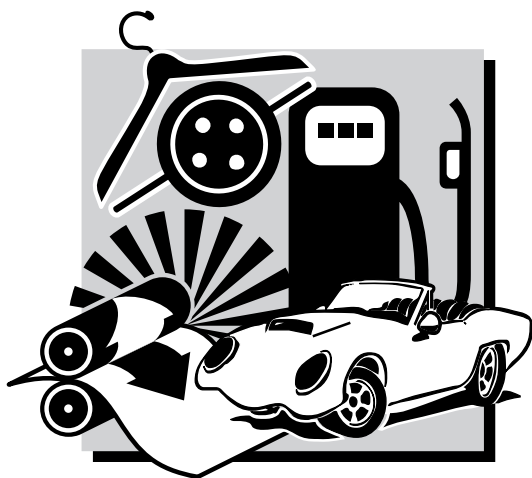


# DOES YOUR SMALL BUSINESS need an ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT?

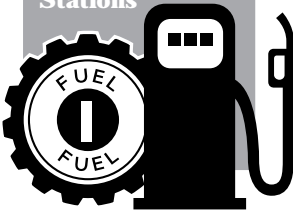


You May Qualify For  
A Free Exemption From  
Environmental Requirements

# Are You A Small Business Owner?

**The SBAP defines a small business as a business that employs 100 or fewer people and is independently owned.**

## Gasoline Service Stations

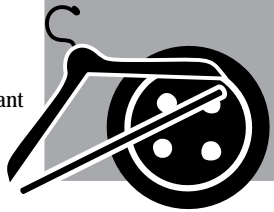


## If you own or operate a business such as:

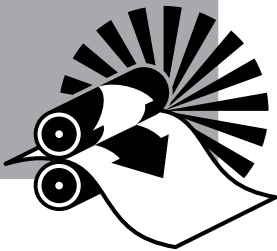
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Asphalt Company  
Auto Body Shop  
Auto Repair Shop  
Bakery  
Car Wash  
Cotton Gin

Cultured Marble Manufacturing Plant  
Dairy Farm  
Dry Cleaners  
Electronic Assembly Plant  
Feedlot  
Fiberglass Products Manufacturing Plant  
Foundry  
Furniture Manufacturing Shop  
Furniture Refinishing Plant  
Gasoline Service Station

## Dry Cleaners



## Print Shops



Laboratory  
Lumber Mill  
Manufacturing Operation  
Metal Fabricating Shop  
Metal Finishing Shop  
Print Shop  
Publishing House  
Restaurant  
Waste Hauling Company


**You may be required to have an environmental permit(s) or you may be eligible for a standard exemption.**

*Other types of businesses are also required to have environmental permits. If you have questions about your business, call the Small Business Assistance Program.*

## Auto Body Shops




# What is an Environmental Permit?


An environmental permit is an authorization to operate your business within the law. State and federal  laws require most businesses that impact the environment to have environmental permits. A business that does not have a permit may be subject to penalties and fines.

**However, many small  businesses can qualify for a standard exemption.**


# What is a Standard Exemption?

A standard exemption is a type of air permit. If your business  meets certain requirements, you may be able to avoid or reduce paperwork, reporting, and costs involved with environmental compliance.


Applying for a standard exemption is free.


There are also other types of exemptions that may  ease the environmental regulations on your business.

# Who Do I Need to Call?

The Small Business Assistance Program of the TNRCC was created to help you understand and comply with  the sometimes confusing environmental regulations. You can call our toll-free hot line for assistance: 1-800-447-2827

# What Do I Need to Do?

If you find your business requires a permit, you must apply for one. Before you apply for a permit, though, find out if your business can operate  under a standard exemption. You must be able to document to the TNRCC how your business qualifies for this exemption.

Call now and get the ball rolling! You can take pride in knowing that you  are making Texas a better place to live by helping clean up our air, water, and land.

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Strong Economy • Good Sense*

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**W**e are your advocate and can help  
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